

SENATOR PEDERSEN: Yes, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Pedersen, did I understand you to say that perhaps this facility ought not be located in the Omaha area?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: If we can't afford it, we can't afford it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's not what I asked you.

SENATOR PEDERSEN: I would say if we can't afford it in Omaha then we don't...then we can't build it in Omaha.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, are you talking about dollars?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: I'm talking about dollars, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Pedersen, you know that there is a lot more to this issue than the amount of dollars spent. You're saying, in other words, if a certain amount of dollars will not be available, we cannot afford that but we can afford, meaning the term "afford" in a different sense, to put this some distance from the supportive people of the young people who are likely to be in there. You said we can afford that?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: Yes, because I...that distance, to me, would still not be anymore than a half hour to at the most 45-minute drive.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Senator Pedersen has just lost a lot of the regard that I have for the kinds of things he says with reference to these issues, and I mean it. To stand up here and say that that distance is inconsequential, and yet he talks about the poor families that he deals with, he knows that it's more than a notion to try to get transportation. He doesn't have trouble getting it,...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...but others do. And this is one of the times that Senator Pedersen and I are going in opposite directions, but it shows that no matter how much I ordinarily work in concert with somebody, when I think they're wrong, I will separate from them and fight what they're doing. Senator Pedersen is a hundred percent wrong and, Senator Pedersen, keep